feasibility of using Indian launch vehicles to launch such a spacecraft into lunar orbit.

- (b) It is expected to take about five years for sending an unmanned spacecraft to the Moon, from the date of approval.
- (c) Preliminary analysis shows that India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) with some modifications, is capable of sending an unmanned spacecraft to Moon.
- (d) As the instrumentation details are not worked out, it is difficult at this stage to estimate the expenditure on this mission.

MPLADS is Bilaspur division of Madhya Pradesh

[†]2788. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the PRIME MINIS-TER be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount allocated to each districts of Bilaspur division of Madhya Pradesh under MPLADS till March, 2000;
 - (b) the amount utilised in each district by the said date;
- (c) the number of construction work completed in each district; and
- (d) the details of remaining amounts pending with the construction agencies and which has not been returned back in each district?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLAN-NING, PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) As per available information with the Ministry, funds released to Nodal Districts in Bilaspur Division, Madhya Pradesh are given in the annexed statement (see below)

(b) to (d) As per Guidelines on MPLADS, the District authorities are to execute works as recommended by Members of Parliament. Hence, details regarding amounts utilised, works

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

completed and the remaining amounts pending with construction agencies etc. are available at the District level.

Statement

	Name of the Nodal District with names of the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha MPs.		Funds Released (Rs. in Lakhs)
(1)	BILASPUR (Sh. Govind Ram Miri)	(Rajya Sabha)	755.00
	(Smt. Veen Verma) (Sh. Punnulal Mohle)	(Rajya Sabha) (Lok Sabha, Bilaspur)	755.00 655.00
(2)	JANJGIR		
	(Dr. Charandas Mahant)	(Lok Sabha, (Janjgir)	705.00
(3)	RAIGARH		
	(Sh. Dilip Singh Judev)	(Rajya Sabha)	655.00
	(Sh. Lakkhiram Aggarwal)	(Rajya Sabha)	705.00
	(Shri S.K. Singh)	(Rajya Sabha)	450.00
	(Sh. P.R. Khute)	(Lok Sabha,	705.00
	(Sh. Vishnudeo Sai)	Sarangarh) (Lok Sabha, Raigarh)	705.00
(4)	SARGUJA (Sh. Khel Sai Singh)	(Lok Sabha, Sarguja)	705.00

No funds have been released to Jashpur, Korba and Koria Districts of Bilaspur Division since these are not treated as Nodal Districts for the purpose of release of funds from the Central Government.

Dropping of a project to modernise Indian statistical system

2789. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have dropped a Rs. 950 crore project to be funded by World Bank of modernise Indian Statistical System;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;